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**FOR: A METHOD AND DEVICE FOR PROTECTING MICRO  
ELECTROMECHANICAL SYSTEMS STRUCTURES  
DURING DICING OF A WAFER**

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In response to the Office Action mailed September 7, 2004, the following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.